

REMARKS

Applicants have cancelled claims 9-18, without prejudice or disclaimer to filing a divisional application directed to claims 9-18.

Restriction/Election Requirement

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions:

Group I, claims 1 to 8 and 19 to 30, and

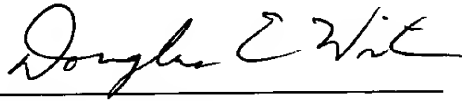
Group II, claims 9 to 18.

Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1 to 8 and 19 to 30, for examination, without traverse.

Applicants submit that all the claims are believed to be in a condition for allowance. Early consideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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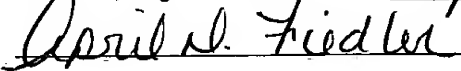


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